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MATERIAL	)	

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Sir:

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U.S. 5,933,243 is in the English language. No discussion of the document is required.

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JP 10-185690 does not appear to have an English language abstract or equivalent. The Examiner is requested to review the discussion of this document in the Substitute Specification.

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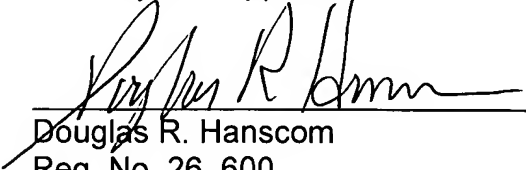
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Entry of these materials into the file of the subject U.S. patent application, and their consideration by the Examiner, is respectfully requested.

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